**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**
**ABSTRACT**

Finance Department- Energy Sector - Constituting the Expert Committee to suggest measures making the energy sector self-sustaining – Orders -Issued.

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FINANCE (FMU:Energy, I&C,I&I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 1126 Dated: 28-04-2021.

Read the following:

U.O.Note No.1384506/ FMU-Energy/2021, Finance Department, dated 08.01.2021.

**ORDER:**

The health of its energy sector is an important determinant of the state's economic prospects. This health in turn is dependent on the operational efficiency of the unbundled power companies. The operating of the power companies in an efficient manner ensures that the consumers are not burdened with high tariffs, the public finances of the State are not unnecessarily strained by the sub-optimal performance of the companies & most importantly the Government is able to allocate its limited resources to the most deserving among the several competing needs.

2. The power sector in Andhra Pradesh is struggling with aggregate Discoms losses of about Rs 30,000 crores, sectoral debts outstanding of about Rs 80,000 crores, and high industrial tariffs. The quality of service has scope for significant reforms. The companies suffer from several human resources problems which have been brought to the notice of the State Government by lenders, stake holders and the financial reports. These deficiencies become all the more prominent when bench-marked against the utilities of other comparable state governments. Therefore, duly keeping the future of the companies in perspective & in order to ensure that they operate in a financially self-sustaining mode, there is an imperative need to examine the issues realted to human resource and suggest improvement measures.

3. In this regard, the Government after careful examination hereby issue orders constituting the following Expert Committee.

a. Hon'ble Justice Krishna Mohan Reddy (Retd.)
b. Sri Nagaraja Swamy, Director Grid, AP Transco (Retd.)
c. Prof. Usha Ramachandran, ASCI

4. The functions & powers of the Expert Committee shall be as mentioned hereunder.

a. To undertake comprehensive review of the manpower planning policy in all the companies of the sector, benchmarking with progressive states, bring out legal and financial implications and give appropriate recommendations for strengthening the power sector in the form of a comprehensive report.
b. To call for any record/file, or summon any official for its meetings for providing information.
c. The Committee will submit its report in 45 days.

5. Costs:

a. A fixed amount of Rs.800/- will be paid towards conveyance expenses on the day of service utilization at Vijayawada.
b. Payment will be made for actual fare towards to and fro journey by plane / Air Conditioned Rail travel on par with Class I Government officials for outstation journey.
c. For outstation journey, Boarding, lodging and other travelling expenses shall be paid as per actuals.
d. Orders regarding remuneration to members will be issued separately.
e. The expenditure will be met from the funds of APPFC.
f. The Committee shall be provided with necessary infrastructure, supporting staff, logistics support by CMD Transco.

6. The Energy Department and the Power sector companies shall provide the necessary support to the Expert Committee in the discharge of it's mandate & take further necessary action in the matter.

7. This order is available online and can be accessed at https://goir.ap.gov.in.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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The Secretary to Government, Energy Department,
The CMD APTRANSCO/ APEPDCL/ APSPDCL/ APCPDCL.
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